(a) whether Government have accepted the National Knowledge Commission's recommendation pertaining to establishment of Independent Regulatory Authority for Higher Education;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, the details of the mandate of such an authority and by when Government propose to set up such an institution; and

(d) the functional linkage between the new authority with existing UGC, AlCTE and MCI?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The recommendations of the National Knowledge Commission are in the public domain for wider debate among all stake holders.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

**Recommendation of NKC**

1396. SHRI HARISH RAWAT:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accepted the recommendation of the National Knowledge Commission for providing tax and other incentives for the endowments and donations to the universities;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) if so, the details of the incentives Government propose to extend to promote such endowments and donations; and

(d) by when Government propose to announce such incentives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE. DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) The recommendations of the National Knowledge Commission are in the public domain for wider debate among all stake holders.